

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Southern California Edison Company (U 338-E) for Authority to Institute a Rate Stabilization Plan with a Rate Increase and End of Rate Freeze Tariffs.	Application 00-11-038 (Filed November 16, 2000)
Emergency Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company to Adopt a Rate Stabilization Plan. (U 39 E)	Application 00-11-056 (Filed November 22, 2000)
Petition of THE UTILITY REFORM NETWORK for Modification of Resolution E-3527.	Application 00-10-028 (Filed October 17, 2000)
Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U 902-E) for an Order Implementing Assembly Bill 265.	Application 00-10-045 (Filed October 24, 2000)
Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U 902-E) for Authority to Implement an Electric Rate Surcharge to Manage the Balance in the Energy Rate Ceiling Revenue Shortfall Account.	Application 01-01-044 (Filed January 24, 2001)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES' JOINT RULING

Decision (D.) 01-05-035, issued May 7, 2001 in Application (A.) 00-11-038, A.00-11-056, and A.00-10-028 (the Rate Stabilization Proceeding) provided, among other things, that certain San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E)

electric power procurement contracts are subject to further Commission review. (D.01-05-035, p. 10.) The decision further provided that the contracts “will be part of the subsequent rate review in this proceeding that will be coordinated with our consideration of the accounting provisions of Section 332.1 of the Public Utilities Code (Docket Nos. [A.00-10-045 and A.01-01-044]).” (*Id.*, pp 10-11.)

The Rate Stabilization Proceeding is the designated forum for addressing a variety of major issues involving Pacific Gas and Electric Company and Southern California Edison Company as well as SDG&E. These issues include allocating the revenue requirement associated with power procurement by the California Department of Water Resources among the customers of the three utilities, and establishing policies for the use of and ratemaking for utility-retained generation.

Since ratemaking matters specifically pertaining to SDG&E’s electric rates are being addressed in the SDG&E proceeding, and the Rate Stabilization Proceeding is addressing statewide issues, it will be procedurally more efficient to conduct the review of the SDG&E power procurement contracts within the SDG&E proceeding.

Therefore, **IT IS RULED** that the further review of certain San Diego Gas & Electric Company power procurement contracts that is discussed at p. 10 of Decision 01-05-035 shall take place in Application (A.) 00-10-045/A.01-01-044.

Dated April 8, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ ANGELA K. MINKIN

Angela K. Minkin
Assistant Chief
Administrative Law Judge

/s/ MARK S. WETZELL

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Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judges' Joint Ruling on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated April 8, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ FANNIE SID

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